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Washington, DC
20250

Please Note:

New vendors and subcontractors must supply all required paperwork (Appendix 1, Financial Statement, and 3 Reference Letters) and must register in the Online Representations and Certifications Application (ORCA). In addition, all vendors must also be registered in the CCR, within 48 hours after bid opening or your company may be considered non-responsive.

FV-307

Fruit and Vegetable Programs

Date Issued: February 3, 2006

Dried Fruit, Announcement FV-307, Invitation 024

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell dried fruit as indicated below and per the Announcement for distribution to the needy family and other domestic food assistance programs. Offers are due by **1:00 p.m., Central time, Friday, February 17, 2006**. Acceptances will be announced by midnight, March 3, 2006. Deliveries are to be made from April 16, 2006 through June 30, 2006.

Offers are invited from the trade for:

Dried Fig Pieces	24/1 lb.	132,224 cases
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Please Note:

- The product must be 100% grown, processed and packed in the United States from the 2005 or later crop year.
- All prime vendors are reminded that they are prohibited from subcontracting with companies or individuals that have been suspended or debarred.
- All invitations with orders for the state of New York, must have the pack date stamped on the outside of each carton. The pack date should be annotated as per the following example: (05/01/2003). Orders for the state of New York requiring the special marking will be indicated by (**). This applies to New York orders "Only," if and when they appear on an invitation.
- On "BKLYN/CEN ISLIP NY" destinations, shippers are instructed to call the contact person on the Notice to Deliver first prior to making an appointment, so that they can be directed to which warehouse they will ship the product.



- Manufacturer's own commercially packaged and labeled product is acceptable as long as it meets all of the requirements of the Food and Drug Administration and contains an identification code that allows for traceability of the product.

Note: Effective August 1, 2005, Contractors are required to submit Annual Representations and Certifications via the Online Representation and Certifications Application (ORCA), a part of Business Partner Network (BPN). The internet address for registering in ORCA is <http://orca.bpn.gov>. The representations and certifications are effective until one year from the date of submission or update to ORCA. A revised abbreviated Appendix 1 dated August 2005 will be required for contractors registering via the ORCA system. A notice to the trade regarding this requirement was issued on June 28, 2005 at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/fv/cp/tradenotices.htm>

However, Contractors who have previously (prior to August 1, 2005) submitted the Appendix 1 for calendar year 2005 will be relieved from the ORCA online registration until the expiration of their Appendix 1.

Bids must be submitted electronically via the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES) on the internet. Offerors who submit bids using other than DEBES, will be deemed non-responsive. Offeror must be assigned a Logon ID by USDA to access the site. The Internet address is: <http://pcsd.usda.gov/debes> which translates into a connection of <https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe?> Once connected, follow the online procedures. A "HELP" button provides detailed instructions for using the system or call 202-720-4517 for assistance.

Bidders are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver in accordance with the contract. Inquiries about Announcement FV-307, Appendix-1, the Commodity Specification for Dried Fruit dated May 2004 or this Invitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/ Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0239, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, DC 20250-9410, telephone (202) 720-4517. An electronic version of this Invitation can be obtained through the World Wide Web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp>.

Purchases will be made on a delivered to destination basis, subject to Announcement FV-307, to the listed locations. Delivery by trucks or railcars is optional to the contractor, except for those destination(s) which specify delivery by truck only or rail only.

Split shipments are indicated by a single asterisk.

ANNOUNCEMENT : FV307
INVITATION : 024
COMM GROUP : 35 FRUITS, DRIED
COMM TYPE : 21 FIG PIECES
PACK SIZE : 24 24/1 LB

ITEM NO	DESTINATION CITY	ST	TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (CSE)	PRICE PER (CSE)
DELIVERY PERIOD 04/16/06 - 04/30/06					
001	BRONX	NY	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____ **
002	ELMIRA	NY	TRUCK ONLY	792	_____ **
	MILLWOOD	NY	TRUCK ONLY	792	
003	CRANSTON	RI	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____
004	BIRMINGHAM	AL	TRUCK ONLY	490	_____
	HUNTSVILLE	AL	TRUCK ONLY	539	
	THEODORE	AL	TRUCK ONLY	555	
005	BIRMINGHAM	AL	TRUCK ONLY	655	_____
	MONTGOMERY	AL	TRUCK ONLY	929	
006	ATLANTA	GA	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____
007	ATLANTA	GA	TRUCK ONLY	792	_____
	MACON	GA	TRUCK ONLY	792	
008	JACKSON	MS	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____
009	GRAY	TN	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____
010	CHICAGO	IL	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____
011	CHICAGO	IL	TRUCK ONLY	1,079	_____
	PEORIA	IL	TRUCK ONLY	505	
012	CHICAGO	IL	TRUCK ONLY	958	_____
	SPRINGFIELD	IL	TRUCK ONLY	626	
013	ST CHARLES	IL	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____
014	CHICAGO	IL	TRUCK ONLY	1,037	_____
	EVANSVILLE	IN	TRUCK ONLY	547	

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015	FAIRFIELD	OH	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____
016	LOGAN	OH	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____
017	FORT SMITH	AR	TRUCK ONLY	384	_____
	JONESBORO	AR	TRUCK ONLY	600	_____
	LITTLE ROCK	AR	TRUCK ONLY	600	_____
018	LITTLE ROCK	AR	TRUCK ONLY	1,200	_____
	RUSSELLVILLE	AR	TRUCK ONLY	384	_____
019	OKLAHOMA CITY	OK	TRUCK ONLY	950	_____
	TULSA	OK	TRUCK ONLY	634	_____
020	BEAUMONT	TX	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____
021	DALLAS	TX	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____
022	HOUSTON	TX	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____
023	MCALLEN	TX	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____
024	DES MOINES	IA	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____
025	COLUMBIA	MO	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____
026	SIKESTON	MO	TRUCK ONLY	464	_____
	ST LOUIS	MO	TRUCK ONLY	1,120	_____
027	ST LOUIS	MO	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____
028	MILLS	WY	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____

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029	SURPRISE	AZ	TRUCK ONLY	1,156	_____
	WILLCOX	AZ	TRUCK ONLY	428	_____
030	LONG BEACH	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____
031	LOS ANGELES	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____
032	SACRAMENTO	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____
033	OAKLAND	CA	TRUCK ONLY	792	_____
	SAN JOSE	CA	TRUCK ONLY	792	_____
034	BOISE	ID	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____
035	COEUR D'ALENE	ID	TRUCK ONLY	528	_____
	LEWISTON	ID	TRUCK ONLY	528	_____
	POCATELLO	ID		528	_____
036	OLYMPIA	WA	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____
037	SEATTLE	WA	TRUCK ONLY	260	_____
	TACOMA	WA	TRUCK ONLY	923	_____
	VANCOUVER	WA	TRUCK ONLY	401	_____
038	SEATTLE WHSE	WA	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____
DELIVERY PERIOD 05/01/06 - 05/15/06					
039	CONCORD	NH	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____
040	BRONX	NY	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____ **
041	LATHAM	NY	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____ **
042	HOMESTEAD	FL	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____

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043	NORTH MIAMI	FL	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____
044	ORLANDO	FL	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____
045	ATLANTA	GA	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____
046	CHICAGO	IL	TRUCK ONLY	699	_____
	ST CHARLES	IL	TRUCK ONLY	885	_____
047	ANDERSON	IN	TRUCK ONLY	409	_____
	FORT WAYNE	IN	TRUCK ONLY	416	_____
	INDIANAPOLIS	IN	TRUCK ONLY	759	_____
048	INDIANAPOLIS	IN	TRUCK ONLY	1,150	_____
	LAFAYETTE	IN	TRUCK ONLY	434	_____
049	GARY	IN	TRUCK ONLY	564	_____
	INDIANAPOLIS	IN	TRUCK ONLY	515	_____
	SOUTH BEND	IN	TRUCK ONLY	505	_____
050	COMSTOCK PARK	MI	TRUCK ONLY	697	_____
	FLINT	MI	TRUCK ONLY	400	_____
	LANSING	MI	TRUCK ONLY	487	_____
051	WARREN	MI	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____
052	COLUMBUS	OH	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____
053	ALBUQUERQUE	NM	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____
054	KANSAS CITY	MO	TRUCK ONLY	700	_____
	SPRINGFIELD	MO	TRUCK ONLY	884	_____
055	MESA	AZ	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____

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056	SURPRISE	AZ	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____
057	BELL	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____
058	SACRAMENTO	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____
059	RIVERSIDE	CA	TRUCK ONLY	792	_____
	SAN BERNARDINO	CA	TRUCK ONLY	792	_____
060	PORTLAND	OR	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____
061	MOSES LAKE	WA	TRUCK ONLY	220	_____
	SPOKANE	WA	TRUCK ONLY	882	_____
	YAKIMA	WA	TRUCK ONLY	482	_____
062	SEATTLE	WA	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____
063	EVERETT	WA	TRUCK ONLY	531	_____
	OLYMPIA	WA	TRUCK ONLY	370	_____
	SHELTON	WA	TRUCK ONLY	683	_____
DELIVERY PERIOD 05/16/06 - 05/31/06					
064	BRONX	NY	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____ **
065	CREEDMOOR	NC	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____
066	OKLAHOMA CITY	OK	TRUCK ONLY	950	_____
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068	BRONX	NY	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____ **
069	EAST SYRACUSE	NY	TRUCK ONLY	792	_____ **
	ROCHESTER	NY	TRUCK ONLY	792	_____
070	CHARLESTON	WV		1,584	_____
071	MIAMI	FL	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____
072	JACKSONVILLE	FL	TRUCK ONLY	420	_____
	PACE	FL	TRUCK ONLY	533	_____
	TALLAHASSEE	FL	TRUCK ONLY	631	_____
073	CREEDMOOR	NC	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____
074	SALISBURY	NC	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____
075	MILWAUKEE	WI	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____
076	MESA	AZ	TRUCK ONLY	984	_____
	SURPRISE	AZ	TRUCK ONLY	600	_____
DELIVERY PERIOD 06/16/06 - 06/30/06					
077	BRONX	NY	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____ **
078	JACKSON	MS	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____
079	CREEDMOOR	NC	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____
080	SALISBURY	NC	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____
081	ELMIRA	MI	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____
082	DETROIT	MI	TRUCK ONLY	396	_____
	HARTFORD	MI		792	_____
	WESTLAND	MI	TRUCK ONLY	396	_____

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083	TOLEDO	OH	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____
084	BAKERSFIELD	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____
085	SAN BERNARDINO	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____
086	SAN DIEGO	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,584	_____
TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE				136,224	
TOTAL QUANTITY FOR INVITATION				136,224	



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